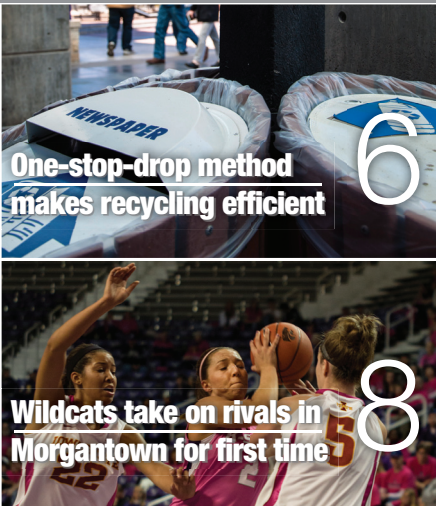




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Wildcats defeat Red Raiders by 20 points

John Zetmeir
staff writer

The No. 13 K-State men's basketball team struggled throughout Monday night's matchup with Texas Tech. It took a buzzer-beating shot from senior guard Rodney McGruder to give the Wildcats a 1-point lead going into half-time. Despite their sluggish play, the Wildcats were able to finish strong, defeating the Red Raiders 75-55.

"I thought the first half we forced some little uncharacteristic [shots]," said head coach Bruce Weber. "I thought that one of the worst things that happened was we went up 12-4 and then we were a little giddy and lost a little bit of focus. To [Texas Tech's] credit, they came at us."

The Wildcats were without senior forward Jordan Henriquez who was in New York for his grandmother's funeral. In his absence, it was sophomore forward Thomas Gipson who found himself back in the starting lineup. Gipson did not disappoint, leading the Wildcats with a season-high 20 points and tallying eight rebounds.

"It doesn't matter if I start or if I don't, I just want to come out and play hard," Gipson said. "Like coach Weber said, we needed somebody to step up since Henriquez is not here and I just made that effort to step up and play harder than how I normally play. I just made an effort to do it both on offense and defense."

Sophomore forward Nino Williams ignited a spark for the Wildcats in the second half, scoring 11 points for K-State in a single run. Williams finished the game with 11 points and seven rebounds. The Wildcats outscored the Red Raiders 44-25 in the second half.

"I'm just playing hard. I know that sometimes you



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Emily DeShazer | Collegian

Sophomore forward **Thomas Gipson** blocks a Texas Tech player's shot early in the first half on Monday at Bramlage Coliseum. Gipson finished with 20 points, eight rebounds and the team's only two blocks in the game.

Polls open for SGA primary election

Andy Rao
editor-in-chief

In the midst of a busy spring semester, students will soon have the opportunity to decide who will lead the student body for the 2013-14 school year.

Candidates

Blair Wilen
junior in marketing
Brandon Painter
junior in marketing and management

Eli Schooley
senior in political science
Jacob Unruh
junior in finance

Kyle Nuss
senior in architectural engineering
Ariel Mendiola
junior in sociology

Until the polls close on Wednesday at 5 p.m., K-Staters will have the chance to vote in the Student Governing Association's primary election at sgaelections.k-state.edu.

The candidates who come in first and second will make their bid to be next year's SGA president and vice president in the general election, which will be held March 5-6.

"I definitely plan on voting," said Chase Downing, sophomore in business administration. "It doesn't matter who you vote for or what issues you care most about, just go vote and make your voice heard."

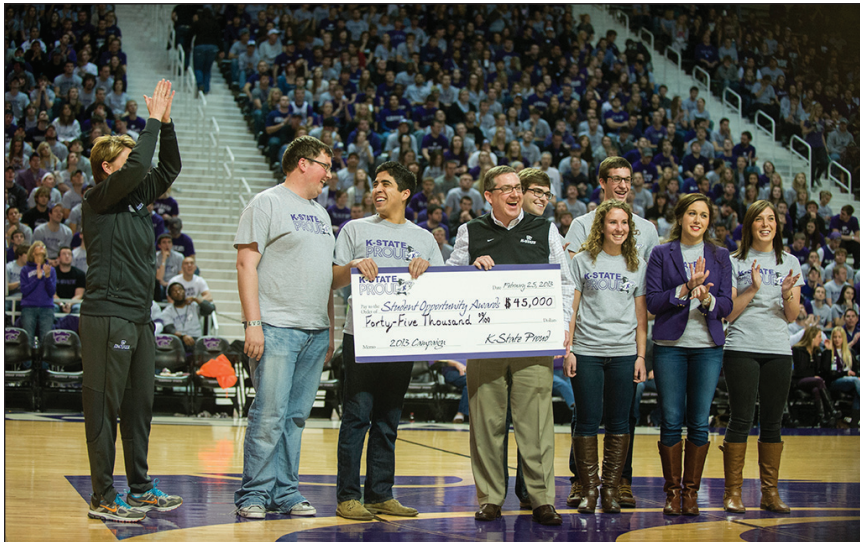
As is the case in the yearly election, the student candidates face a variety of issues, including funding, academic standards and campus and student life.

Although the candidates and their running mates have attempted to provide unique solutions to various concerns the university faces, Brandon Painter, vice presidential candidate and junior in marketing and management, said that every group had much to offer.

"It's a win-win-win situation for the university," Painter said. "All three sets of candidates really bring a lot to the table and I feel like no matter what direction that the students want to go will be beneficial. It just depends on what's important to you."

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K-State Proud raises \$45,000 in one week for student scholarship awards



Emily DeShazer | Collegian

K-State Proud members present a check for \$45,000 at the men's basketball game against Texas Tech in Bramlage Coliseum on Monday. The organization encouraged students to wear their K-State Proud T-shirts to the game.

Darrington Clark
managing editor

K-State Proud's weeklong campaign comes to an end today, but the student group's fundraising efforts are still going strong.

After raising \$45,000 in donations, Javier Lopez, junior in history and K-State Proud co-chair, said that the K-State community has not disappointed.

"Donations have been good," Lopez said. "We've had some delay due to the weather, but we're very happy with the traffic we've had here in the Union."

The campaign, which consisted of volunteers manning a booth in the Union and accepting donations from passing K-Staters, was scheduled to end Monday, but it was extended in response to the snow day last week.

"Though we're announcing the current number at the game tonight, there will be plenty more opportunities to donate through-

out this year," Lopez said.

The total number of donations was announced by the organization at halftime of the K-State men's basketball game on Monday. The group's goal is to raise \$135,000 this year. To achieve it, K-State Proud has tried a new method.

"We did a pre-campaign last week, going around to different greek houses before the official campaign started," Lopez said. "It was the first time we'd ever done something like that."

Students who donated to K-State Proud last week or this week could receive a T-shirt, button, sticker, pen or all of those items. The K-State Proud booth featured a visual timeline of the organization's logos, and the T-shirts this year feature a retro design of Willie the Wildcat.

"Our shirts are designed by students and designs are chosen with student body input," Lopez said.

Students were invited to wear

their K-State Proud shirts to the basketball game Monday, where students were admitted free with a K-State ID. At the game, Lopez presented K-State President Kirk Schulz with the check for \$45,000.

K-State Proud gives donation money back to students as award scholarships. A student allocations committee confers with the Office of Student Financial Assistance to provide the award scholarship to students in financial need. Students and faculty can nominate others for the scholarship, or students may nominate themselves.

In the past six years, K-State Proud has raised more than \$550,000 to keep students enrolled in school. Lopez said the T-shirts are more than thank-you items, but represent the goal of the organization.

"It's cool that you have a student-designed shirt for a philanthropy that serves students," Lopez said. "It goes full circle."



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Rain rain go away.

To the person who made Monday's Cryptoquip: Really? A witty comment about spuds? Quit being a couch potato and fry up a sense of humor!

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For the Win | By Parker Wilhelm

THE OTHER DAY, I SAW SOMEONE TRYING TO TELL TEA PARTISERS THEIR IDEAS WERE FLAWED.

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THE BLOTTER ARREST REPORTS

Sunday, Feb. 24

Marcus Eugene Miles, of the 900 block of Ratone Street, was booked for battery and domestic battery. Bond was set at \$8,000.

Mark Stephen Love Jr., of Topeka, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Kerry Jermaine Coleman, of Pine Bluff, Ark., was booked for failure to appear and two counts of probation violation. Bond was set at \$17,500.

Brandon Thomas Lambert, of Abilene, Kan., was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$800.

Monday, Feb. 25

Derek Logan Braddock, of Manhattan, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$500.

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Adam Suderman

A postseason appearance and potential conference championship awaits K-State, and the excitement for the final stretch of the season continues to build for Wildcat basketball. With the victory, head coach Bruce Weber tied Bob Huggins' mark from the 2006-07 season for the most wins in his first season at the helm. To add to an already impressive season resume, the senior class of guards Rodney McGruder and Martavious Irving along with center Jordan Henriquez added win No. 97 to give the group the most wins for any senior class in program history. The group is also the fourth consecutive class to reach 90 wins throughout their K-State career. Weber says this group has been crucial to the season's success from both a statistical and leadership standpoint. McGruder finished with 10 points on 3-of-8 shooting, but Weber says a poor performance here or there should not limit the senior's shot attempts. "We still need Rod to score," Weber said. "Tonight they put another little quick guy on him and they switched out on a lot of stuff. The

one thing I need Rod to do is when he's open, he's got to shoot it. I think sometimes he's so surprised he's open because they make it so hard and he kind of turns down some shots." Playing without the presence of Henriquez in the paint left the paint duties to sophomore forward Thomas Gipson and company, but the Wildcats were not phased. Weber says it is important not to down play the importance of each senior on the roster. "I think it says a lot that they are the winningest class in history," Weber said. "They have great experience and people keep saying you haven't slipped up. Everyone around the country seems to slip up against somebody. I think those three are very important." Now with several players stepping up, K-State is proving time and time again that it's a machine of many kinds. As a team the Wildcats answered when there were absences on the court, and that is why Weber believes his team runs deeper than its usual starting five. "Every day it seems like it's somebody else that steps up and it's hard to stop every guy that we have," Weber said. "I've said since the beginning that we have eight starters and all of them can be very, very productive." The Wildcats also made it to the 12-victory plateau in conference play for the first time since the 1972-73 season when they were a part of the Big Eight.



Senior guard Rodney McGruder dribbles the ball as he pushes a Texas Tech player out of the way on Monday at Bramlage Coliseum. McGruder had four assists on the night.

Emily DeShazer | Collegian

It's a mark that shows the significance of the season's improvements, but Weber says it's important for the team to stay focused at such a crucial time of the season. "I think the guys have done well and I think they've stayed focused,"

Weber said. "We can't look too far ahead, it's one at a time. The thing I brought up last night to them is this is a special time. March is here, next game is in March. You want to be playing your best basketball. I hope they stay humble and they stay

hungry. We've got to keep improving because a couple weeks from now and you lose, it's over." Adam Suderman is a junior in print journalism. Please send comments to sports@kstatecollegian.com.

Head-to-head: With four months left, which team will win the NBA championship?

Overlooked San Antonio once again poised for title run; Parker, Leonard lead team



Mike Stanton

With a little over two-thirds of the NBA season in the books, the playoff picture is starting to materialize. Boasting a league-best 45-13 record, the San Antonio Spurs are once again in prime position to make a deep playoff run. Year after year, people find reasons

to discount the Spurs; they're too old, too slow and too predictable to hang around. Year after year, however, the Spurs keep winning games. Even in a deep, talented Western Conference, San Antonio has dominated, led by point guard Tony Parker, who is having a career season. Parker leads the team with 21.1 points and 7.6 assists per game, placing him in the top 10 in the league in both categories. Forward Kawhi Leonard, in his second season out of San Diego State, has taken on a major role for the Spurs, logging the second-highest playing time, behind Parker, and chipping in 10.7 points and 1.8 steals per game.

Another key player for San Antonio, for the 16th straight season, is 6-foot-11-inch power forward Tim Duncan, a seemingly ageless future Hall of Famer. Since the Spurs took him with the top pick in the 1997 draft out of Wake Forest, he has won four NBA championships, averaging over 20 points and 11 boards per game throughout his career. His numbers have fallen off slightly in recent years, but he still leads the Spurs with 9.6 rebounds per game, and logs nearly 30 minutes of playing time a night. The Spurs are by no means the

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Heat wave: Miami on track for repeat performance



Andy Rao

There is probably no team in the United States that is as hated as the Miami Heat. The theatrics that preceded forward LeBron James' departure from his beloved Cleveland Cavaliers was, in the eyes of most sports fans, a disgraceful slap in the face to a franchise that seemed

forever doomed. Despite your feelings about the Heat, however, you can't deny that the star-studded cast down in South Beach has brought a consistent winning culture to the Heat franchise. Along with James, guard Dwyane Wade and forward Chris Bosh have formed a formidable trio that helped the team capture an NBA championship in 2012, and given its most current 11-game winning streak, the Heat seem to be in line to repeat their success again this year. James is the engine that runs this monster truck. He is the blueberries

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Johnson Center provides cancer research opportunities

Val Good-Turney
staff writer

K-State students, faculty and staff have been working with the Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research for years to research treatments and cures for various types of cancer.

The Johnson Center was founded in 1980 and named for Terry C. Johnson, the first director of the center. It is currently located on the lower level of Chalmers Hall. The Johnson Center works with more than 16 departments at the university, including engineering, veterinary medicine, physics and horticulture. More than 80 faculty members are working on projects associated with cancer research.

Several yearly fundraisers benefit the center, including rodeos, golf and bowling tournaments and the center's Pink and Purple Polyester parties. Fundraisers raise about \$500,000 annually, which is all parceled out in awards to students and faculty members ranging from \$1,000 to \$30,000, which can be used to fund research as well as to pay for travel expenses to present research.

Marcia Locke, the center's public relations and outreach coordinator, said she thinks the Johnson Center's research is crucial in the fight against cancer.

"Since it's not a treatment center, people may not realize that we are contributing to that world that cures people," Locke said. "You cannot have cures and treatments without basic research."

The Johnson Center provides many undergraduate and graduate research opportunities, and each researcher is assigned a faculty mentor. Samantha Talley, junior in chemistry, was recommended to the research program by her adviser and said she is happy to have the chance to show off her work.

"In April, we get to meet our spe-

cific benefactors at a dinner," Talley said. "That's really awesome because they're funding us and get to speak directly to us and find out what their money is going towards and what undergraduates are doing for cancer research."

The center prides itself on the opportunities it provides for all levels of students, according to Locke.

"Oftentimes at other universities, you have to be a graduate student to get your own project like that," Locke said. "We consider our support of students to be very important and pretty unique. K-State in general does a very good job of getting undergraduates involved in research, and we think we're a big part of that."

According to Derek Schneweis, graduate student in plant pathology, one of the benefits of getting involved with research projects is interacting with faculty members who are passionate about their work.

"It's really neat because, not only are you applying the knowledge, but then you're talking with someone who is a pro in whatever they're doing," Schneweis said. "It's exciting to talk to someone who loves it that much."

Schneweis is also the president of the K-State Cancer Fighters, a group of students who work to raise money and awareness for the center. The group meets every other Friday at 4 p.m. Most of the people involved are either student researchers themselves or know someone who was affected by cancer. The group, which is in its second year of existence, works to fundraise for the Johnson Center, and is currently planning a 5k race for the fall semester.

To donate or to get involved in research, visit cancer.ksu.edu. To help raise funds for the center, check out the K-State Cancer Fighters' Facebook page at facebook.com/kstatecancerfighters.

'One-stop-drop' method makes recycling on campus easier, saves K-State money



Hannah Hunsinger | Collegian

Recycling receptacles like these are available all over campus, but now the university has made it possible for K-Staters to drop their recycling off without sorting it in bins located near the Derby Dining Complex off Manhattan Avenue.

Som Kandlur
staff writer

Last semester, K-State introduced a new approach to recycling on campus. Known as the one-stop-drop method, it eliminates the need for students and faculty to separate their recyclables. Now, all recyclables go into the same bin.

"We want to make it easier for students and faculty to recycle, so we thought the best way of doing that is to not have them go through the inconvenience of sorting the trash," said Bill Spiegel, K-State recycling coordinator.

The program aims to increase the amount of recyclable material available for the K-State Center for Sustainable Energy while decreasing waste, which would benefit both the university and K-State's ranking in the nationwide RecycleMania competition.

Designed as a friendly national competition between over 600 schools, RecycleMania aims to increase awareness on college and university campuses while promoting

waste reduction and recycling activities. Over the past few years, K-State has seen a steady rise in its ranking in the RecycleMania competition.

According to RecycleMania's website, K-State came in at No. 226 in 2011, but made the jump to the 173-ranked spot in 2012, recycling over 23 percent of the waste on campus. In a Feb. 1 interview, Spiegel expressed his desire to recycle "more than KU" and said his goal was a "sustainable 5 percent increase in recycling for the next few years."

"We are attempting this competition as a whole so it is important that everybody contributes," Spiegel said.

Recycling programs on campus, while eco-friendly, have not always motivated students to recycle.

"It's an inconvenience to separate trash into different bins, and a lot of the time it's not really clear what goes into which bin, so it's just more convenient for me to throw it all into a bin where I don't have to go through the sorting process," said Ethan Haley, sophomore in computer science.

Spiegel said he hopes the new measures will lead to an increase in the amount of recyclable material collected while also increasing student participation and awareness of the K-State recycling program.

"It's all about conservation. Why not put articles back to use rather than putting them in a landfill where they serve no purpose?" Spiegel said. "Every article that we recycle gets put back into the economy for use in different products."

In the first half of February, K-State produced more than 107 tons of garbage and recycled 31 tons, saving the university \$1,488 by preventing waste from making the costly journey to the landfill.

"Last year, the university sent \$108,000 worth of garbage to the landfill," said Nicole Setter, administrative clerk at the Riley County Public Works department.

According to Spiegel, K-State can save money by reducing the amount of waste produced on campus and increasing recycling initiatives.

SGA | Polls close Wednesday

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Platforms range from making general-purpose classrooms more efficient to improving executive mentoring programs and even bringing a farmer's market to the K-State Student Union.

Kyle Nuss, SGA presidential candidate and senior in architectural engineering, said that the campaign has been tiring but worth the hard work.

"It takes a toll on you, but Ariel [Mendiola] and I have gotten to meet with a lot of different people and student groups and it has given us good insight on what students want," Nuss said. "It's been a lot of fun."

According to Collin Huerter, junior in political science, voters should be informed about the issues and vote based off what is realistic and achievable.

"Every election, no matter on what level it's on, will have candidates that will use vague, idealistic language that sounds nice but can't really provide results," Huerter said. "As student voters, we have to make sure that we stay in the loop about who stands for what and who can actually deliver on their promises."

Huerter, who supports candidates Eli Schooley and Jake Unruh, said he felt the duo's platform was thoroughly researched and would benefit the university most.

"Eli and Jake have done a good job of using their connections on campus to sit and talk about details

of their plans with department heads and actually are trying to find ways to make things happen," he said. "They have tangible goals and are stressing student connectedness to campus, which I like. As a student, I want to feel like K-State is my university, and that I have helped shape it; in my opinion, Eli and Jake will help me do that."

No matter what pair of candidates wins the election, student voters agreed that the next president and vice president need to continue to keep K-State the site of a growing, developing university.

"It's very important to ensure we have a campus that not only facilitates the high level of learning and research that takes place here, but also maintains common places such as the Union and continually updates them as we continue to grow and evolve as a student body," Downing said.

The candidates are all planning on having a get-together to listen to results. At 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the Wilen-Painter campaign will meet at Varsity Donuts, the Schooley-Unruh campaign will meet at FarmHouse fraternity and the Nuss-Mendiola campaign will meet at Johnny Kaw's Sports Bar.

"No matter what happens, I know it's a good situation for the university because of how unique the ballots are," Painter said. "They're all great guys, and no matter who wins, I think I can say that we all just want to help enhance the K-State experience."

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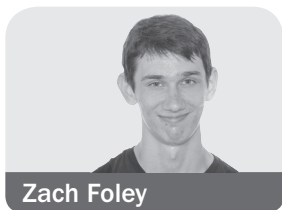
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Reality check: Celebs using sex to sell music no big deal



Zach Foley

Sex sells. This fact is ingrained in American culture and exemplified by the American music industry. With people's tolerance for sexual innuendo and suggestion growing, artists are finding more ways to put their bodies on display. Whether it is in their music videos, onstage or on their album covers, celebrities will find any way to show off their assets.

For example, there is rarely a time when Rihanna is on stage when she isn't bouncing around wearing next to nothing while groping herself suggestively. But if she were to cover up, would people still care? Sure, she could sing songs like "Diamonds" while wearing a burqa, but I have a feeling that songs like "S&M" and "Rude Boy" would lose some of their meaning if she were to cover up.

Speaking of being uncovered, Rihanna's latest album "Unapologetic" features the singer topless with one breast covered by her arm and the other hidden underneath the album's title. The title "Unapologetic" is very appropriate, as she seems not to care that thousands of people have seen regions of her body usually reserved for private situations — otherwise she wouldn't have put them on display.

If she is confident enough to put herself and her body out there for the whole world to see, shouldn't we embrace her rather than criticize her?

Or, if you don't want to celebrate her nudity, ignoring it is always an option. No one is making you buy her album or look at her.

However, maybe it's the public that is at fault for the way Rihanna is objectified. In 2010 when she released a music video for the song "Man Down," which tried to make a statement about sexual assault, she was criticized by the Parents Television Council. Since then, Rihanna has stuck to what she knows, which is apparently wearing no clothes, exemplified in her newest music video "Stay." Maybe if she had not received so much negative attention for trying to bring awareness to an issue that was important to her, Rihanna's music and videos would be more meaningful and less sexual.

Rihanna is not alone in her quest to wear as little clothing as possible. With Katy Perry shooting



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whipped cream out of her bra and Beyonce constantly prancing around in leotards, she is in good company. These artists are some of the biggest names in music today, and I don't think that it is a coincidence that only on rare occasions do they decide to wear clothes that actually cover their bodies.

Now, I'm not saying that all artists have to sexualize themselves to be popular. There are exceptions to the rule. Take Adele for

example: she is always fully covered and still wildly successful. However, in my personal opinion, Adele is a little bit boring. What makes her so successful is her ability to write and belt out huge ballads. If someone with a more limited vocal range like Katy Perry tried to get away with singing "Rolling in the Deep," I don't think she'd have near the success that Adele does.

I am not saying that singers who lack talent

automatically default to an oversexualized portrayal of themselves to gain attention. I think that every artist needs a shtick to differentiate themselves from the competition. Ke\$ha has the drunk party girl market cornered and Beyonce owns the divas.

To appeal to a more diverse audience, many other artists throw in a dash of sex — after all, sex sells. Adele already appeals to such a diverse audience

that she doesn't need to sexualize herself, but, like I said, she is an exception to the rule. Sex wouldn't pair very well with her shtick of big ballads.

People concerned with the oversexualization of celebrities (why someone would devote their life to this, I don't know, but I'm sure someone out there is very concerned with confiscating Katy Perry's whipped cream bra) need a reality check. Musicians

using their bodies to sell records is not just trendy right now; it will always be in fashion. And not just for women either; Adam Levine seems to be doing a fine job of using his body to sell Maroon 5 albums. Sex sells now and it always will, but no one is forcing you to buy it.

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Teachers should not penalize introverts who have trouble speaking up

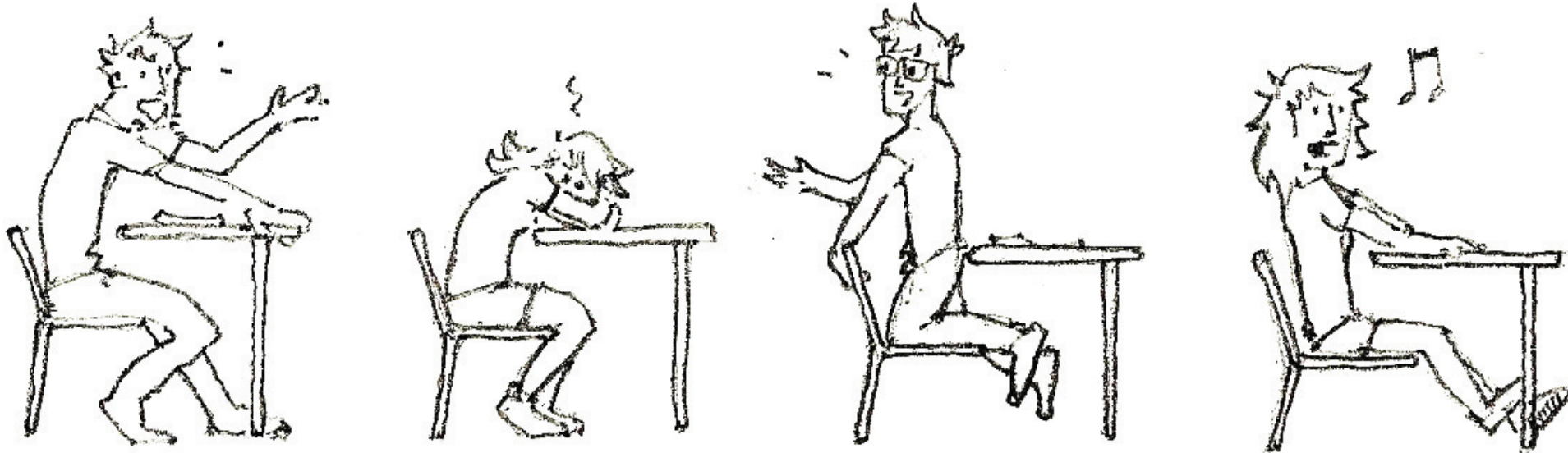


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Jeana Lawrence

In my leadership studies class, we were told that introverts are people who, after a stressful day, need to be alone to recuperate. Here's a little personality quiz: Do you prefer to chill out by yourself or with friends? If you chose yourself, you're most likely an introvert, while extroverts are more likely to pick their friends.

Neither of these things is bad; it's just who you are. But some teachers seem to penalize students for being

introverted and not asserting themselves in the classroom, and I don't think it's fair to force introverts to speak in class.

That being said, some introverts are misclassified as extroverts because they speak out in class and, for all intents and purposes, look like extroverts. Introverted people are not necessarily shy people. Shy people are afraid to talk to other people or in large groups. Introverts simply like being quiet and thinking about things.

Sometimes, introverts can be just as outgoing as extroverts. It just takes an incredible amount of work.

That is why introverted

students shouldn't be made to speak out in class for a part of their grade. In many classes, participation is often a deciding factor between borderline grades, which can have a huge effect on your GPA. This isn't fair for those students who struggle or must exert a lot of energy to talk even a little bit in class.

Those who are able to talk may get that A with little to no effort. An A should signify that the student stood out from the rest and that they went to great lengths to learn and achieve. An introverted student who gets an A in participation is much more impressive than the extroverted student who gets the same grade. The extrovert didn't have to summon as much willpower to actually talk, whereas it might be more difficult for the introvert.

Introverts aren't just quiet people, either. We offer a lot of different strengths that extroverts might not have. My leadership studies class taught that introverts usually have intellection strength, which is when a person sits back, listens to ideas and thinks deeply about them. They may look like they're off in a daydream, but they could very well be thinking of ways to improve certain plans. Then they tell their ideas to the group, even if they have to shoot down an idea that is completely unfeasible. They think about all the possibilities, which is a great and unique gift to have — the gift of foresight.

I'm not saying there aren't extroverts who have this skill, but extroverts tend to speak their minds first. This is not a bad thing. They get ideas going and feed the think tank.

But often, extroverts speak their mind without thinking it through first, whereas an introvert might deliberate for a moment or two.

Everyone is unique and we all have our own skills that can contribute to society, which is why making participation a key part of class is morally wrong. John Stuart Mill argues in his book "On Liberty" that we shouldn't make people conform to what we think they should be. Everyone is unique in their own right and deserves to be treated as such.

Making introverted students talk in class infringes on their right to be quiet if they want to be. And I'm not talking about students who are just lazy and don't want to talk in class.

If teachers still want students to be more involved in class work, they can create

message boards. Introverts can write out whatever they want to say without the pressure to speak loud and fast over the extroverts. Here, they can take all the time they want to form a meaningful response. This tool should be used as an alternative means of participation.

Extroverts should also be more considerate of introverts. Think about how much harder it is for us to speak out in class before you blurt out the answer. Most likely, the introvert next to you knows the answer but may not be willing to immediately share it. Give us a chance to voice our opinions.

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US, world news briefs

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High-ranking cardinal steps down weeks before new Pope to be chosen

74-year-old Cardinal Keith O'Brien is stepping down from his post as the leader of the Catholic Church in Scotland in the wake of accusations of inappropriate behavior towards priests, according to the BBC.

O'Brien said he will not take part in next month's conclave to elect the successor of Pope Benedict XVI, whose resignation will go into effect at the end of this month. Although O'Brien's resignation does not affect his status as a cardinal or his eligibility to vote in the conclave, he said in a statement that he does not want to draw media attention away from the process of selecting the new Pope.

The cardinal had tendered his resignation to Pope Benedict in November 2012 to take effect on his 75th birthday on March 17, but in light of the accusations, the Pope decided that it will take effect immediately, according to the statement O'Brien released through the Scottish Catholic Media Office on Monday.

According to a report in the UK's Observer newspaper, three priests and a former priest complained to the Pope's representative to Britain of various degrees of unwanted contact from O'Brien. The cardinal denies the allegations, and is seeking legal counsel.

"No signs of progress" as sequester looms

Four days before the so-called "sequester" — a series of wide-ranging budget cuts across the board — take effect, politicians from both parties appeared to be making little progress toward preventing the cuts, according to the Washington Post on Monday.

Democrats and Republicans agree that the sequester could have dire effects on the economy, but do not see eye-to-eye on how to prevent the roughly \$85 billion in cuts.

President Obama spoke to a gathering of the nation's governors Monday, urging them to meet with their states' congressional representatives and press them to find a way of avoiding the sequester.

Three Republican governors, Louisiana's Bobby Jindal, Wisconsin's Scott Walker and South Carolina's Nikki Haley, argued that Obama was trying to frighten the American public about the impact of the cuts, according to the Post. Democrats advocate a combination of new taxes and alternate spending reductions to avoid the sequester, while Republicans oppose any tax increases.

Syria willing to talk to rebels, according to Foreign Minister

Syria's government is willing to hold talks with members of the armed opposition with the ultimate aim of ending the nearly two-year-old civil war, the Middle Eastern nation's foreign minister said on Monday.

According to the New York Times, it is the first time that a high-ranking government agent has indicated that the regime is open to talks with the rebels, who have fought to remove President Bashar al-Assad from power since the Arab Spring of 2011.

The conflict has caused an estimated 70,000 deaths and dispersed hundreds of thousands of refugees throughout the region.

The foreign minister stated Monday during a visit to Russia that Syria is "ready for a dialogue with anyone who's willing, even with those who carry arms." The Times said it is unclear whether the statement carried unspoken caveats, like an agreement to lay down arms. There was no immediate response from the leader of the opposition, Sheikh Moaz al-Khatib.

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K-State head coach Bruce Weber signals to his team during the Wildcats' 75-55 win over the visiting Texas Tech Red Raiders on Monday night in Bramlage Coliseum.



Sophomore forward Thomas Gipson lifts the ball for a basket on Monday at Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats were up by only 1 point at halftime but pulled away in the second half to win.



Sophomore guard Angel Rodriguez looks to the basket as Texas Tech defender Jaye Crockett raises his hand to block a shot at Bramlage Coliseum on Monday. Rodriguez finished the game with 16 points and four steals. The Cats improved to 25-3 and have three games left.

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SPURS | Team faces tough test in West

HEAT | Role players bolster roster

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most exciting team to watch in the NBA. They aren't as flashy as teams like the Oklahoma City Thunder, the Miami Heat and the Los Angeles Clippers, but they've been taking care of business better than anyone in the league.

Winning a championship in a major sports league is no easy task. San Antonio will first have to survive a tough Western Conference playoff bracket, featuring teams like the Thunder, the Clippers and the

Memphis Grizzlies, who are currently riding a seven-game winning streak. The Los Angeles Lakers, who started the season in a disappointing fashion, have crept back into the playoff bubble, and can't be taken lightly as contenders.

Whoever survives the gauntlet of the West will likely play the Miami Heat, the defending champion, for the title. Led by LeBron James, who is putting up historical statistics, red-hot Miami has won 11 straight, and won't relinquish the crown without a fight.

There's no team better suited to the challenge than the San Antonio Spurs. They have a potent combination of talent and experience, and are coached by one of the best minds in the game, Gregg Popovich. If the Spurs keep playing the way they have been all season, the city of San Antonio will celebrate their fifth title this June.

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to the Heat's muffins.

Consider this: in the course of this season, James has shot 56.7 percent from the field, his highest ever in the nine years he has graced NBA courts. Out of the last 11 games, he has shot above 52 percent in each outing, including a ridiculous 13-of-14 shooting performance against the Charlotte Bobcats on Feb. 4.

The reason that James is so tough to defend is his sheer strength and speed. When he

takes over at the point guard position, James is a 6-foot-8-inch, 250-pound beast who can dominate smaller defenders by driving to the basket or stepping back and draining threes.

Not to be outdone, however, is eight-time all-star Dwyane Wade. Wade, who is often considered the on- and off-court leader and face of the franchise for Miami, has hit his stride this season as well.

Averaging 21.2 points and 4.7 assists per game, Wade can change the face of the game

by either scoring himself or facilitating his teammates.

Add role players like Mario Chalmers, Ray Allen, Shane Battier and Mike Miller to that mix, and you've got a team that has loads of talent and an extremely deep bench.

Look for the Heat to make a push in the playoffs, not just in 2013, but for several years to come.

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3	1	2	6	9	5	8	7	4
4	9	5	7	1	8	6	3	2
7	8	4	3	5	1	9	2	6
2	6	9	8	4	7	3	5	1
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Wildcats travel to Morgantown for first time to take on Mountaineers



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Senior guard **Brittany Chambers** drives through the line past Iowa State sophomore guard **Brynn Williamson** and junior forward **Hallie Christofferson** during the Wildcats' 50-69 loss to the Cyclones on Saturday afternoon in Bramlage Coliseum. The teams wore pink as part of Play 4Kay, a national initiative to raise awareness of breast cancer. Proceeds from a silent auction benefited the Kay Yow Fund.

Mark Kern
sports editor

Looking to end a three-game losing streak, the K-State women's basketball team will head to West Virginia for the first time as they take on the Mountaineers tonight at 7 in WVU Coliseum.

The two teams met in Bramlage Coliseum on Jan. 12, when the Mountaineers (16-10, 8-7 Big 12 Conference) left Manhattan with a 66-52 victory over the Wildcats (13-14, 4-11).

In West Virginia's victory over K-State, the Mountain-

eers were led by junior guard Christal Caldwell, who poured in a team-high 19 points to go along with nine rebounds.

The key to this game is the battle at the 3-point line. The Wildcats live and die by the deep ball, while the Mountaineers are the best in the Big 12 at defending the 3-point line, allowing only 29.3 percent from outside. However, the Wildcats have a couple of players that are more than capable of getting hot from behind the arc.

Senior guard Brittany Chambers, leads the Wildcats in scoring with 19.2 points per game,

ranking second in the Big 12. In the first matchup against West Virginia, Chambers put in 20 points to lead the Wildcats.

Sophomore guard Haley Texada is the only other Wildcat player to average double figures this season, as she has put in 11.8 points per game to complement her backcourt mate Chambers.

This will be only the second time in school history that the two programs meet, with the matchup on Jan. 12 being the first.

Opening tipoff is scheduled for 6 p.m. in Morgantown, W.Va.

BBALL | Cats outrebound Raiders

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miss shots and sometimes you make them and I just looked to crash the boards," Williams said.

It was a quiet game for junior forward Shane Southwell, who finished with 6 points. In previous games when Southwell has struggled, Williams had shined, and vice versa.

"Like coach Weber said, you just want to keep a good attitude. You never know when you are going to get the opportunity to play," Williams said. "Just keep a good head. When Shane is playing well, I know I am not going to play much, or if he gets in foul trouble I know I am going to

play."

Not only did the Wildcats outscore the Red Raiders by 20 points, but they also out-rebounded the Red Raiders by 21.

"[Rebounding] was our main emphasis since we've been losing a couple of rebounding games. Just find your man and box out and just go for the boards. Everyone has to crash and I think we did pretty good tonight," Gipson said.

With Monday's win, the Wildcats stay atop of the Big 12 and kept their hopes alive for at least a share of the Big 12 title, something that the Wildcats have never won. Three teams remain on the schedule, all of which are

opponents the Wildcats have already defeated.

"Everything can go away in just one game," said sophomore guard Angel Rodriguez. "We've just got to focus and have the same mentality that we've had and just take care of the next game. If we do that, we play our game, we will see the light."

Rodriguez finished with 16 points as well as seven assists and four steals. This marks the fifth-consecutive game that Rodriguez has finished with six or more assists.

The Wildcats will travel to Waco on Saturday for a matchup against the Baylor Bears, a team they defeated in another 20-point victory just two weeks ago.



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Sophomore guard **Angel Rodriguez** shoots above Texas Tech junior forward **Jaye Crockett** during the Wildcats' 75-55 win over the visiting Red Raiders on Monday night in Bramlage Coliseum.

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